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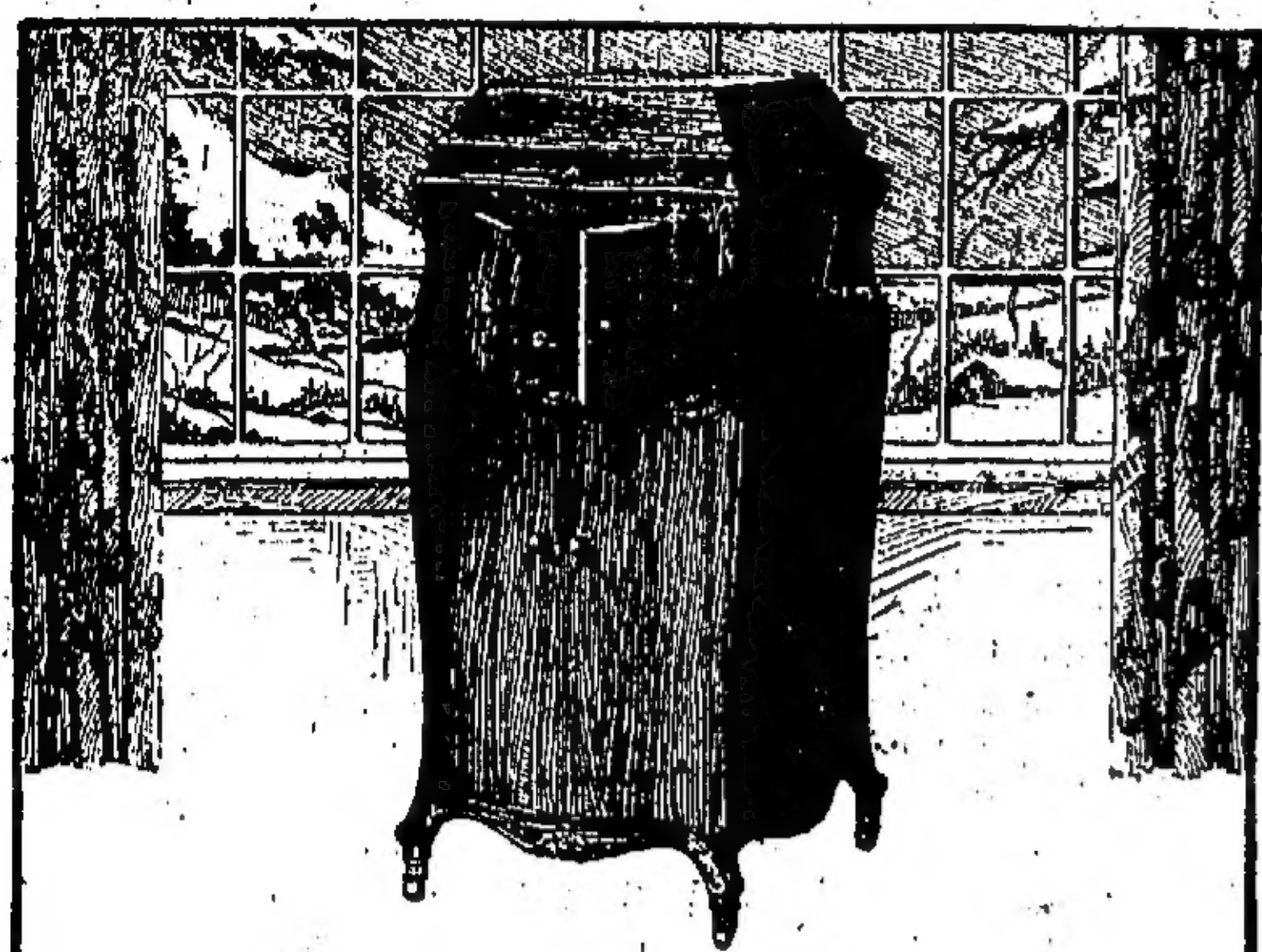
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SERIOUS VIENNA RIOTS.

MANY SHOPS PILLAGED.

HIGH BRITISH OFFICIAL ROBBED.

VIENNA, December 2.

Serious rioting estimated to have caused several milliard crowns worth of damage was the sequel to a demonstration by 35,000 workmen outside the Parliament house against the cost of living. The demonstrators presented a series of drastic demands with a view to alleviating conditions after which they got out of hand and attacked nearly all the cafes in the inner city and main suburban streets, necessitating their closing up for a considerable period. A large number of shops were pillaged. Much havoc was wrought in the leading hotels, including the Bristol where the rioters penetrated to the guests' rooms and stole property. The victims included Sir William Goode, Chairman of the Austrian Reparations Committee, whose room was forced while he and friends were within. Nearly all his clothes and belongings were taken under his eyes. Four hundred arrests were made. The Social Democrat leaders warned their adherents to desist from further demonstrations which they attribute to the irresponsible elements.

NAVAL HOLIDAY OVERSIGHT.

CAPITAL SHIP PRINCIPLE NOT AFFECTED.

LONDON, December 2.

A special Washington message states that the Morning Post's Washington correspondent was responsible for the report of the discovery of the oversight in the drafting of Mr. Hughes' naval holiday proposals (mentioned in our earlier cable). The correspondent says that the modifications necessary relate entirely to the naval holiday and do not affect the principle agreed upon as regards capital ship tonnage.

LEASED CHINESE TERRITORY.

WASHINGTON, December 2.

The Far Eastern Committee has referred China's request for withdrawal of troops to a drafting committee headed by Senator Root for further study. Probably the question will be continued at another meeting of the nine powers committee to-morrow when special spheres of influence and leased territory may also be taken up.

MAIN ISSUES.

Shantung and the naval ratio continue to be the main issues at the conference. While, as expected, a conference of the big three on the ratio settlement could not actually be arranged yesterday, Baron Kato and Mr. Balfour had a long private discussion. All three later exhaustively examined reports submitted by the respective naval experts. It now seems likely that settlement of both questions may be delayed owing to the departure of Mr. Balfour to-morrow for New York for two ceremonial dinners and to his not returning before Tuesday night. Discussions are proceeding to-day.

BRITISH HARMONY.

WASHINGTON, December 3.

The Dominions representatives are actively co-operating with the British delegation. Mr. Balfour is especially gratified with the perfect harmony in which the whole delegation is working. No decision is reached without common consultation on every question.

GERMAN FINANCIAL PROBLEM.

FRENCH GOVERNMENT WORRIED.

LONDON, December 2.

In connection with the Paris message yesterday, Sir John Bradbury, British Reparations Commission delegate, has denied authorship of the moratorium scheme. The French Government is apparently hastily drafting its own plan for meeting the German financial problem. M. Briand is reported to have discussed it with M. Loucheur in the train en-route to Paris from Havre.

ENEMY DEBTS.

BERLIN, December 2.

The Lokal-Anzeiger shows that apart from indemnities Germany is finding difficulty in meeting clearing house demands in connection with the payment of enemy debts and has not yet paid the 91,000,000 gold marks due. The Government has sent a representative to Paris to discuss the matter with the Allies.

FIRM FRENCH NOTE.

PARIS, December 2.

The Reparations Commission has sent a firm note to Germany on account of non-reply to the question regarding the mode of payment of the next two indemnity instalments.

LANDRU LODGES APPEAL.

PARIS, December 2.

Landru, who was sentenced to death for murder and forgery has lodged an appeal.

DERRY JAIL SENSATION.

SINN FEIN RESCUE ATTEMPT FAILS.

TWO CONSTABLES DEAD.

LONDON, December 2.

A daring attempt to rescue Sinn Fein political prisoners at Derry Jail by means of rope ladders and motor cars failed after a fierce conflict between the police and the prisoners' would-be rescuers. Two constables were found dead. They had been hand-cuffed and apparently chloroformed. Two warders and three civilians have been detained.

CABINET'S IRISH PROPOSALS.

SINN FEIN ENVOYS RETURN.

LONDON, December 2.

Sinn Fein envoys have left for Dublin carrying the final draft of the Cabinet's proposals which it is understood are probably Dominion status for the 26 counties in the south and west, Ulster to have the option of applying for inclusion in an all-Ireland parliament later, allegiance on lines of the Dominions within the Empire, a commission to be established to determine the political and religious frontiers of Tyrone and Fermanagh with power to decide on a plebiscite.

CHINA'S DEBTS.

PACIFIC DEVELOPMENT LOAN.

NEW YORK, December 2.

The Chinese Government is paying the interest due on December 1 on the \$5,500,000 loan from the Pacific Development Company and is arranging to pay the principal in 90 days.

TARRIED AND FEATHERED.

BRITISH MISSIONARY'S ORDEAL.

MIAMI, FLORIDA, December 2.

The British consul has been instructed to investigate the tarring and feathering of the Rev. Mr. Irvin, a British missionary whom his assailants accused of preaching social equality and intermarriage between blacks and whites.

STRAITS SETTLEMENTS BORROW.

£5,135,000 LOAN IN LONDON.

LONDON, December 2.

A Straits Settlements loan of £5,135,000 at 6 per cent for 15 to 30 years currency price ninety-seven is being underwritten.

REUTER MAN DEAD.

FORMER JAPAN REPRESENTATIVE.

LONDON, December 2.

The death is announced of Mr. H. W. Linford, former Reuter representative in Japan.

BRIAND HOME.

PARIS, December 2.

M. Briand has arrived here from Washington.

AMERICA'S ALLIED DEBTS.

SENATE LEADERS' DECISION.

WASHINGTON, December 2.

It is understood that the Senate leaders are agreed to request President Harding to rush the Allied Debt Refunding Bill through the Senate.

MARKS 900.

LONDON, December 2.

Marks closed in London at 900.

SKY G.

OTTER HUNTING BANNED.

BRITISH COMPENSATED.

WASHINGTON, December 2.

The British and American claims tribunal has awarded \$4,704 compensation in the case of three British schooners which the United States patrol prevented from otter hunting in the Behring Sea in 1900.

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LONDON, Dec. 2.

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On October, 19 a very successful launch took place at the Wallsend yard of Messrs. Swan, Hunter and Wigham Richardson, Ltd. The vessel was the "Kutsang," a single-screw ship to carry passengers and general cargo and to run in the service of the Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., of Hongkong and London. Messrs. Swan, Hunter and Wigham Richardson have already built a number of ships for these owners. "Increase in Luck" is the meaning of "Kutsang," which name was bestowed upon the ship by Mlle. Delamarre as the vessel left the ways in the presence of a large company of visitors.

The "Kutsang" has an overall length of 434ft., a moulded breadth of 54ft., a depth of 31ft., and will carry 7,000 tons deadweight on a draft of 25ft. She has been built to Lloyd's highest class and has a poop, a long bridge amidships, and a full top-gallant forecastle. On the boat deck there are comfortable quarters for the captain, a smoke-room, and a ladies' room. On the bridge deck, on either side of the engine casing, are cabins for the officers and engineers, and forward of the funnel are state rooms for the first-class passengers and the dining saloon. In the poop is accommodation for the second-class passengers, and above the steering-gear house is a hospital and dispensary. The sailors and firemen have their quarters in the forecastle, the petty officers and apprentice boys being housed on the upper deck on either side of the mail and baggage compartments beneath the first-class dining saloon. Refrigerating machinery will be installed to keep meat and other perishable provisions in good condition.

In most of the cellular double bottom of the ship oil fuel can be carried as well as water ballast. The machinery and boilers of the "Kutsang" have been built by the Wallsend Shipway and Engineering Co. The main engines are of the four cylinder quadruple expansion type, balanced on the famous Yarrow, Schlick and Tweedy system. There are four single-ended, cylindrical boilers with a working pressure of 120lbs. per square inch under forced draft.

The original intention was that Mrs. Keswick (wife of Major H. Keswick, of Dumfries) was to perform the ceremony, but at the last moment she waived her claim in favour of Mlle. Delamarre, a young French friend of hers, who had not previously attended a launch.

After the launch tea was served in the staff tea rooms. Mr. T. E. Thirlaway, on behalf of the builders, proposed the toast of the owners. It was a great pleasure to do so, for the Indo-China Line was an old customer of theirs, and Messrs. Swan, Hunter and Wigham Richardson were coming back again. Besides the "Kutsang," they had one building at London, and a yard in which Swan's were interested, and the company had a fleet of 40 steamers, and a firm like that would be coming back with more orders, and he hoped that they were after that. Without any doubt, he believed that if good

work could obtain those orders they would get them. (Applause.) The Indo-China Company, in common with other shipping companies, would no doubt be passing through difficult times. Not only had they to contend with the high cost of operating and low freights, but he believed they had also to contend with a new difficulty—that was the intervention of the U.S.A. Shipping Board, which had sent ships into the waters where the "Kutsang" was operating. However, they had had considerable experience of businesses being managed by Governments, so he was quite sure that with their organisation and experience the Indo-China Line would hold their own. (Applause.) The only difficulty would be in the case of the U.S. Shipping Board not running on competitive lines. If they stuck to ordinary methods of trading the Indo-China Company would keep pace and give a good account of itself. (Applause.) He concluded with a tribute to the assistance of Captain Lake and Mr. Holmes, who had represented the owners during the building.

Major Keswick, replying to the toast, said that he wished to state that they were not in the least afraid of American shipping, for they had bought their experience in the China trade very dearly, and it would stand them in good stead now. (Applause.) They had not always gone to Swan, Hunters for their ships, but they had learned wisdom and had come back. He hoped they would come frequently—but not too frequently, as they did not simply want to pile up tonnage. He remembered the old "Kutsang," and it was a good boat, and he had no doubt that the new "Kutsang" would be even better. He referred to the pleasure it gave him to come to the yard of which Sir G. B. Hunter was head, for Sir Geo. was an old and esteemed friend of the late Mr. Keswick, the speaker's father. It was very pleasing to find that Sir George was still a busy man and controlling such a magnificent yard.

Mr. Geo. Richardson proposed the toast of Mlle. Delamarre. He hoped the ship would live up to its name, "increased luck." It must be very pleasing for the young lady to perform such a ceremony on her first visit to the country.

Mlle. Delamarre, replying, said: "I don't speak English, but I thank you all very much." This was, by the way, spoken in excellent English.

The head office of the Far Eastern Bank was opened at No. 36 King's Road, Shanghai, a large number of guests attending to offer their congratulations. The new bank, which has a fully paid-up capital of Italian Lire 12,000,000, is registered in the Italian Consulate General, and already has branches at Canton, Tientsin and Pootow. Viscount M. M. d'Alvi and Mr. W. S. H. Nien are the joint managers. The deposits received during the day totalled Ls. 6,941,705.98.

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Singapore has been well named "The Gate of the East." It holds the pass from India to the Far East, but to make the most of it, it must be very fortifiably fortified, supplied with submarine bases and in other ways perfectly equipped for the task. There must be no repetition of the Scapa Flow business at the very last moment.

Sir Stamford Raffles—who created Singapore—built more wisely than he knew when he brought that place into existence a century ago. Although something was done to improve the defence of the place during the late war, a great deal will have to be done to make it fit for its new duties—when they come. The defences of Fort Canning, Blaken, Mati Island, etc., are not sufficient for modern warfare, such as Singapore would be likely to be engaged in if such a thing takes place. The day of enclosed forts is over, very much over, and in future earthworks—well concealed—armed with big guns and mortars and supported by aeroplanes and hydroplanes. The formerly supposed "impregnable defences" of Belgium went down like a card-house before the artillery of the Hun in the earliest days of the war, and that lesson has not been forgotten.

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PUBLIC AUCTIONS

Dec. 6.—General Furniture &c.
" 8.—British & Foreign Stamp.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, (FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED),

TUESDAY,
December 6, 1921, commencing at 2.30 p.m., at their Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Vaux Road, Corner of Ice House Street,

TEAKWOOD AND BLACKWOOD FURNITURE, BRASS AND TEAKWOOD TWIN BEDSTEADS, CARPETS,

Comprising:—
Dining Suites, Chesterfield Sofas, Arm-chairs (new), Card and Occasional Tables, Teakwood Twin Bedsteads, large and small Wardrobes, Dressing Tables and Chairs, Washstands, &c., (famed Teakwood), Sideboards, Dinner Wagons, Dinner Services, Crockery, &c., Glass Ware, Cooking Stoves, Cutlery, &c., Electro-plated Ware,

Electric Reading Lamps, Screens, Sundry Blackwood Furniture, Chairs, Cabinets, Pictures,

Also
One Baby Grand Piano by Broadwood. One Victrola Gramophone.

(Full Particulars from Catalogue).

Terms: Cash on delivery.

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TUESDAY,
December 6, 1921, commencing at 2.30 p.m., at their Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Vaux Road, Corner of Ice House Street,

Several Lots of

Valuable St. Lambert Glass Ware, Venetian Coloured Electric Lamps, Mable Statuettes, Fancy Goods,

Also
a few pairs Special Blankets and Rugs.

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THURSDAY,
December 8, 1921, at 5 p.m., at their Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Vaux Road, Corner of Ice House Street,

A Private Collection of

British and Foreign Stamps, including:—
a large number of British Colonials. (Full Particulars from Catalogue).

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(For Account of the Concerned),

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A Valuable Selection of Jewellery,

Comprising:—
Diamond and Gem Brooches, Necklet, Bracelets, Rings and other Ornaments. An opportunity for suitable Xmas Gifts.

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(FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED),

FRIDAY
December 9, 1921, at 2.30 p.m., at their Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Vaux Road, Corner of Ice House Street,

Chinese Porcelains, Carles, Lacquered Ware, &c., &c., including:—
A variety of 5-coloured and 3-coloured Vases and Jars, Wall Plates, Table Screens, Blue and White Vases, Incense burners, Old Bronze and Brass Figures and Vases, Kakemonos, Lacquered Cabinets, Chairs, Screens, Tables, Ivory Ware, Jade, Agate and Crystal Ornaments, Mandarin Pipes, &c.

Also
Many Green Jade Ornaments, Beads Hand Bags, Embroidered Bags, Amber Necklaces, Golden Breast Pins, Scarf Pins, Sleeve Buttons, Bracelets, Brooches, &c., &c.

The above stock recently arrived from the North and includes pieces from the Ming, Kungki, Kienlung and Tzongkang Periods.

The bulk of which will be sold without reserve.

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WANTED.

December 15th.
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WANTED.—An ASSISTANT for a firm of AUCTIONEERS, one having previous experience preferred. Good opening for the right man. c/o A. E. C.

PUBLIC AUCTIONS

G. R.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS and Conditions of the letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on MONDAY, the 6th day of December, 1921, at 3 p.m., at the Office of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of the Lot of CROWN LAND at Shaikwan, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Containing in Sq. Ft.	Annual Rent	Upset Price
101	At rear of Island No. 167, Shaikwan Road Lot in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years.	N. 101' E. 101' S. 101' W.	4,200	12	2,700

G. R.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS and Conditions of the letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on MONDAY, the 13th day of December, 1921, at 3 p.m., at the Office of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of One Lot of CROWN LAND at rear of Island No. 167, Shaikwan Road Lot in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years.

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INTIMATIONS.

HONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Committee of the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce, under powers conferred upon them by the Regulations thereof, have appointed David Kasy Blair to be Secretary as from this date, vice the undersigned resigned.

By Order,
E. A. M. WILLIAMS,
Secretary.

Hongkong, December 1, 1921.

NOTICE.

TUTOR.—Assistant Master is open to teach boys for one or two hours daily, mornings, during Xmas Vac. Write, stating particulars, to TUTOR, CHINA MAIL.

NOTICE.

THANKS TO DR. YEUNG ON SHU, SURGEON, S.S. "HWAH PING."

THE PUBLIC IS HEREBY informed that on 14th October, 1921, I embarked on the S.S. "HWAH PING" at Pora to return to China. A few days after the vessel's departure I suddenly felt a very bad pain in the lower part of my right leg. When Dr. YEUNG, Surgeon of the vessel, and native of the Mui District, had treated my leg the pain left me after a few days and, after being continually under his kind medical treatment for twenty odd days, my leg entirely recovered. In commemoration of and thankfulness for his kindness, I therefore put these lines in the paper to bring it to everybody's notice.

IP WAH-LAM,
NATIVE OF CHEK KAI.
Hongkong, December 1, 1921.

THE CHINA LIGHT & POWER CO., (1918), LTD.

THE THIRD ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of the Company, St. George's Building, Chater Road, Victoria, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 10th December, 1921, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the General Managers for the year ended 30th September, 1921, and electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS OF the Company will be closed from THURSDAY, the 1st December 1921 until SATURDAY, the 10th December 1921 both days inclusive.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO. General Managers.
Hongkong, November 19, 1921.

FREE.

PARTICULARS for the treatment of obstinate skin-diseases, Patches, Paralysis, Gout, Piles, Colic, Hysteria, Insanity, Catarrh, Glaucoma, &c., can be obtained on writing full details of the disease clearly to: "SRI" WORKS, Beadon Square, (C.M.) Calcutta, (India).

INTIMATIONS.

HONGKONG HOTEL GRILL.

THE NEW GRILL ROOM is provided with a Dance Floor and Jazz Orchestra, and it is now possible for patrons to dance during dinner each evening.

TEA DANCANTS will be held in the Grill Room from 4.30 to 6.30 p.m. every Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday. An entrance charge of \$2 per head will be made which will include afternoon tea.

REPULSE BAY HOTEL.

TEA AND DINNER DANCANTS will be held on Wednesdays and Saturdays only, and Orchestral Concerts during tiffin and afternoon tea on Sundays. The Orchestra will not be in attendance on other days unless specially advertised.

Hongkong, December 1, 1921.

THE HONGKONG HOTEL CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE.

SHAREHOLDERS in THE STEAM LAUNDRY COMPANY, LTD. entitled to an allotment of shares in The Hongkong Hotel Company, Limited are requested to forward their claims to the undersigned as soon as possible.

H. N. BEAUREPAIRE,
Secretary.

Hongkong, December 1, 1921.

NOTICE.

WE, the undersigned, beg to notify the public that Mr. CHING PING SHU was granted a monopoly by the Hongkong Government for the running of steam launches (ferries) between Hongkong, Kowloon-sha, Shaikwan, Hungsho and Saiwan for a period of three years from the 1st April, 1921, to the 31st March, 1924.

The undersigned together with Mr. CHING PING SHU therefore decided to form a Company called the TUNG ON STEAM LAUNCH CO., LTD. with a capital of \$12,000.00. The shares being apportioned as follows:—
Mr. Ching Ping Shu ... \$4,000.00
Mr. Wong Po Ki ... \$4,000.00
Mr. Kok Kwai Sang ... \$2,000.00
Mr. Chik Lun Shing ... \$2,000.00

Up to last October as Mr. Ching Ping Shu had not registered the aforesaid Limited Liability Company at the Registrar's Office at Hongkong, we therefore, sold all our shares to Mr. Ching Ping Shu; who has properly paid up for our shares this month.

We, the undersigned, therefore give notice that we will not be responsible for any of the Loans, Charities, Bills, Profit and Loss, etc. of the said Tung On Steam Launch Co., Ltd. and that Mr. Ching Ping Shu will be responsible for same.

This is a notice for future proof.

WONG PO KI,
KOK KWAI SANG,
CHIK LUN SHING.

Hongkong, November 28, 1921.

NATIONAL LOANS.

BONDHOLDERS ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that the FOURTH DRAWING of the 3rd Year Loan (\$2,750,000) and the EIGHTH DRAWING of the 7th Year Issue of Short Term Bonds (\$4,800,000) will be held, as announced by the Loan Bureau of the Ministry of Finance, in Peking on 1st and 10th December respectively and that payment of drawn bonds will be made on 31st, December.

Bonds of the 1st Year 6 per cent Loan (converted issue) which were drawn on 10th November last, amounting to \$2,719,811.40 will be redeemed on 1st December next, and the interest coupon \$1,631,766.94 will be paid on same date.

The interest coupon on the 3rd Year Loan, 7th Year Short Term Bond Issue and the 7th Year Long Term Bonds due on 31st December next will be paid on 31st December.

F. A. AGLEN,
Inspector General of Customs,
Inspectorate General of Customs,
Peking, 21st November, 1921.

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the HONGKONG DOLLAR DIRECTORY has been acquired, as from July 7th, 1921, by the undersigned with all rights and titles and will hereafter be published by them. No claims against the Hongkong Dollar Directory incurred prior to this date will be admitted by the undersigned.

THE NEWSPAPER ENTERPRISE LTD.
5, Wyndham Street,
Hongkong, July 7, 1921.

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EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

WASHINGTON CONFERENCE.

WASHINGTON, December 2nd.
Official: The first Shantung conference was attended by Mr. Alfred Sze, Dr. Wellington Koo, Mr. Chung Hui Wang, accompanied by Mr. Tzu Wang Han, and Mr. Chao Kuo representing China; Baron Kato, Mr. Hanabara and Admiral Daghuchi accompanied by Mr. Shibusaki, Mr. Kimura, Mr. Saito, and Mr. Shiratori representing Japan; Mr. Hughes and Mr. Balfour, who opened the meeting which discussed procedure.

A demonstration in favour of the unconditional return of Shantung was made by Chinese before the headquarters of the Chinese delegation. The crowd consisted of Chinese students and merchants augmented by scores of Chinese brought here on account of the conference. It occurred just as the Chinese were departing for the initial conversation with the Japanese on Shantung. There was no disorder, the crowd gradually dispersing after speeches by three Chinese delegates.

LONDON, December 2nd.
The labours of the naval experts have revealed an extraordinary oversight in the drafting of the Hughes naval holiday proposals, possibly invalidating the whole scheme. It appears that at the end of the ten years naval holiday Britain will be entitled to build twelve Dreadnoughts of 35,000 tons each, replacing ships twenty years old and giving Britain an overwhelming superiority over all the navies of the world as the United States will be entitled to only four and Japan to one new Dreadnought. The position will be reversed six years later when the preponderance will pass to America. The discovery was made by British experts and submitted to the Americans who reluctantly acquiesced, agreeing that the scheme was more likely to provoke war than to guarantee peace.

It is reliably learned that the experts are examining a new proposal whereby, while adhering to Mr. Hughes's tonnage ratios, the United States and Britain will each be entitled to build two battleships every three years, thus keeping in employment skilled artisans, also most valuable armour-plating and gunmaking plants which otherwise would have to be subsidised. It is pointed out that, according to the new scheme, Japan will be allowed to keep the Matsu.

The Japanese attitude is regarded as the key. While the Conference is reported as unanimous in opinion, the American and British delegations regard Japan's insistence on more battleships as unwarranted, but the Japanese are skilled bargainers and desire, before finally committing themselves, to ascertain America's decision regarding the fortification of naval bases in the Pacific. They are also wishful of awaiting the outcome of the deliberations of the Far Eastern Committee regarding China.

ROYAL DUTCH COMPANY.

AMSTERDAM, December 2nd.
The Royal Dutch Company has declared an interim dividend of fifteen per cent, payable in cash on January 18th. Owing to uncertainty as to East India taxation no conclusion could be made regarding the final dividend in July. The interim dividend is payable from the profits of enterprises outside the Netherlands Indies.

A BIG AMALGAMATION.

New York, December 2nd.
A report regarding the Amalgamation of the majority of the independent steel companies in America which was under consideration, was practically confirmed tonight. Mr. Chadbourne, the lawyer who is concerned in the matter, admitted the essential truth of the report but declared that the matter was still in the preliminary stage.

STRAITS SETTLEMENTS LOAN.

LONDON, December 2nd.
It is reported that a Straits Settlements loan will shortly be floated in London.

MESSAGE TO CONGRESS.

WASHINGTON, December 2nd.
It is understood that Mr. Harding's message to congress next week will urge the necessity of a revision of tariffs as early as possible. It will also propose ship subsidies for the merchant marine as supplementary to the free tolls for coastwise shipping through Panama.

INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL CONFERENCE.

PARIS, December 1st.
The newspapers report that the International Financial Conference is likely to take place in Paris shortly.—Havas.

FORMER CHINESE MINISTER IN SWITZERLAND.

PARIS, December 1st.
Lien Tsung Shung, the former Chinese Minister for Foreign Affairs, has arrived at Murillo in Switzerland for a several weeks sojourn.—Havas.

LANDRU.

VERSAILLES, November 30th.
Landru has been sentenced to death.

WHOOING COUGH.

WHEN your child has whooping cough, be careful to keep it, cough, whooping, and expectoration, only by giving Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, as it is so required. This remedy will quickly relieve the cough, and make the child comfortable. It has been used successfully for many years, and is a reliable remedy for all the above complaints and is sold everywhere.

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Capital stock Pesos 700,000 divided into 1,000,000 shares.

In 1920 this company paid P 300,000 in dividends and will pay an equal amount in 1921.

China shareholders are paid in gold checks at one dollar U. S.

Currency for two pesos Philippine. A regular quarterly distribution of 5 centavos per share

will be made on December 20th, 1921.

Agents:

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ROYAL SILK STORE.

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BIRTH.

ROSSER.—At the Peak Hospital, on
2nd December, to Mr. and Mrs.
A. J. W. Rosser, a son.

DEATHS.

PEILL.—On October 27, 1921, at
California, Louise, wife of Dr. S.
G. Peill, of the London Mission,
Tsang Chow, Chihli.GONSALVES.—On November 27,
1921, at Shanghai, Francisco S.
Gonsalves, aged 60 years.

The China Mail.

"TRUTH, JUSTICE, PUBLIC SERVICE."

HONGKONG, SATURDAY, DEC. 3, 1921.

ADVERSARIA.

Did I or did I not give
you a chance last week,
when asking you to favour
me with any references to my
ancestors you might come across in your
reading of history? What a chance to
exercise your wits, and what a chance
to add to the sum total of the world's
fun. Only one reader weighed in—a
member of the Overseas Club—and he
merely asked if the garrulous ass be-
longing to a Biblical farmer called
Balaam was one of my ancestors. It
is quite evident that although you
want this column to be amusing, you
will not help to make it so. I have a
jolly good mind to talk seriously and
heavily to you about the Eginarkian
hypothesis, or to give you a few
columns of notes on the phenomenon
of ecdysis as observed in the terrestrial
isopoda. It would serve you right,
and do you no harm. But vengeance
is not mine, it is the Lord's.

Which reminds me
of some notes on ortho-
graphy the other day, by the pious
Webster. I observed a remarkable
instance of his delicacy of feeling.
Because it is more consistent with the
Latin origin of the words, he deletes
the "u" from endings in words like
honour, favour, labour, etc. With
one exception, and only one. He
spells saviour both ways.

Frequently when I
am, not for my pleasure
or profit, I assure
you, but for business
reasons, reading some news-
paper article, I wonder what
the writer's favourite dishes
are. If I knew that, and had a hint as to
the state of his digestion, I could un-
derstand his mental processes as
clearly as if I had watched them
working. Politics are frequently
affected by the gastric processes, and
nearly all philosophy begins there.

It was, if my memory is
not at fault, Zangwill in
d'esprit, a book of essays entitled
"Without Prejudice,"
who first mooted the suggestion that
a very necessary new society to found
is a society for the prevention of the
founding of new societies. Those
particular essays are crammed with
word play of that kind. It was in
one of them that he said, every man
looks upon life through a capital I.

"Twould ring the bells
of Heaven the wildest
poet for years, if I parson
to his senses. And people came to
them, and he and they together
knelt down with angry prayers. For
mischievous making writers. And men
of stocks, and shares. Who put the last
things firstly because nobody cares."
I am really sorry I missed
Mr. Crook's lecture on
Early Man. I am interest-
ed in the subject. I know
Mr. Crook could make it interesting.
Is there no chance of having the

lecture in print? I hope he made a
point of saying this—"Would you see
Early Man for yourselves? Circum-
spice." This is not a joke. I
believe that in essentials we have not
changed. Men are still jealous,
greedy, fickle, lazy, and cantankerous
animals. Modern man speaks of
certain emotions as making his "flesh
creep." This must be a legacy from
the time when he wore home-grown
fur, and bristled up to scare his op-
ponent or rival. Early man's version
of Two Kinds to One was Two Sizes of
One—he tried to look twice as big by
puffing out his plumage, as a cat's
tail or a dog's neck. Eh? Plumage
not the right word? All right. Say
foliage.

LAST TIME I wrote
about a forged money
case I got the Boss
run in for contempt
of court, so I'm going
to be particularly careful in this
paragraph. A respectable tradesman
was tried last week for tendering a
forged ten dollar note. Jury acquitted
him, but in the meanwhile it cost him
some hundreds of dollars to establish
his innocence. The court didn't say
"Sorry, old bean," or anything like
that. During the trial it was asserted
by Mr. Dyer-Ball that any business-
man should know the colours of our
banknotes. I'm willing to bet him a
Christmas turkey that nine out of ten
do not, whether British or Chinese.

At first I thought that each bank
had its own individual colour for a
tempo, but when I came
to look into it, I found that I had
Hongkong and Shanghai banknotes,
of the same denomination, but of
different colours. I have been so
pestered with bad money here (in my
case mostly coin, not notes) that I
sympathise deeply with good men
who innocently try to pass bad
money. Very few of us examine
money carefully, and if we do
we cannot always tell. I think
the previous character, etc., should be
considered in all such doubtful cases,
before prosecution is proceeded with.
At the same time, when they do get
forgers, give 'em something with
boiling oil in it. In the last few
months I must have thrown at least
thirty bad ten-cent or twenty-cent
pieces into the sea, and I'm feeling
savage toward all comers. If the police
will bring me the next one they catch,
I'll give them an exhibition of really
scientific torture, that will make the
Grand Inquisitor look like an amateur.
But—this is my point—let them re-
member that "possessing and
uttering" can be very innocently done
here.

Friend of mine, in the
EPICURAN Government service, who
read my note about
being a cheerful pessimist, defines a
pessimist as a person who, confronted
with a choice of two evils, chooses
both. That is witty. I pass it on
that score. But if he wants to argue
about it, I'll start him off by saying
it is not true. The way I look at it
is this. The pessimist recognizes both
evils, and decides to "make the best"
of both. The optimist fancies he
can choose the lesser evil, but comes
to grief between the two, like the
navigator between the Scilly Isles
and the Caribbeans that the classics
tell you about.

In passing, a classic has
been defined, don't you
know, as a work that
everybody may praise
without taking the trouble to read it.
I don't know whose it is—sounds like
Gilbert Chesterton, or may be Wilde.
It certainly isn't mine, and probably
wasn't his to begin with. There are
more writers than ideas, and on est
toursis sis de quel'un, which (in
case you are not polyglotically
furnished) is a Frenchified way of
saying there is nothing really new
under the sun (fils).

Mongolia has a parlia-
ment! Mongolia! That
strange, upland, desert,
thinly peopled country of nomadic
folk, has a parliament. Sixty mem-
bers have been elected. Of these
only five were princes. The rest
were workers. The chairman is a
domagogue, and the Vice-chairman
a young revolutionary. When the
Eskimo demand Home Rule, and the
Tibetans women's suffrage—no.
They've got that—say, tariff reform,
then we shall know that civilization
is getting near Alexander's worry,
that of having no more worlds to
conquer.

When a newspaper
writer begins by
admitting that his
judgment is weak, and
confessing that he does not get the
hang of things, it must seem like
rubbing in a real trouble to agree with
him. I have to do it, for one of the
gasbags in Saturday's Telegraph leak-
ed to this effect: "I have still to
discover how the laws passed by the
League of Nations are proposed to be
enforced. None of its champions
have (sic) quite made that clear."
The League authority is exactly like
that of our police, who have the
strength of the Government behind
them. The League is promised the
collective and organized strength of
the authority of all its members.
Isn't that enough? Why will the

journalist children handle such
topics, that are admittedly beyond
them? The danger is that childish
readers will mistake their prattle for
the obiter dicta of grown-up men.

Not having read
any of the gentle-
man's work, I do
not know whether
to feel annoyed or complimented by
a comparison sent in by a reader at
Swatow. He says he is a regular
reader and admirer of the in-
dependent China Mail, "especially
on Saturdays, the spirit of which I
compare with a certain American
writer, Brann the Iconoclast, much
of whose work is published in two
volumes by Herz Brothers of Waco,
Texas." If anybody cares to lend
me those two volumes I guarantee
to read them and, of course, to re-
turn them. Brann must be a smart
guy to get himself compared with
Me.

Thursday's report of
Magistrate Lindsell's
sharp comments on
a fountainpen snatcher should not be
read too literally. For instance, I
am sure that when his Worship said
"You are a perfect little scoundrel, full
of arguments," he did not mean that
mere argumentativeness is scoundrel-
ly. If he did, what a scoundrel he must
think me! The case makes me per-
sonally feel considerable uneasiness,
because not only am I as full of argu-
ments as a German collar is full of
neck, but also, in the course of my
business, it happens that I often
snatch a fountainpen. A fellow
feeling, you see, with the Artful
Dodger of Queen's Road Central, now
doing six months in moral quarantine.

When the printer (really
the compositor) ap-
proaches the end of a line,
you will notice that he
often starts on a longer
word than he has room for. He sets
a part of it, shoves in a hyphen, and
carries over the balance. When this
is done intelligently, and with knowl-
edge of the language, no one but a
proof reader is likely to notice it. But
when it is done by a man who does
not know the language, or only a
tiny smattering of it, you get words
like "reaching" divided into "re-
aching," which simply will not do.
Our printer thinks me faddy and
finicking when I complain of a thing
like that. It is a democratic office,
and as I am not one of the
regular staff, he talks to me as
cheerfully as I address the taipans.
Told me I wasn't a printer, if you
please. I floored him by declaring
that I was. And so I am. He prints
on paper, but I make impressions
upon human minds and hearts. As
a poet once said to a printer,

Truly to benefit mankind
I fear exceeds thy art.
Thou canst not stamp upon
the mind.
Nor print upon the heart.
Have I ever advised you
to make a point of
reading "Erewhon"?
A reader suggests that I
should, and I heartily agree with him.
Samuel Butler should on no account
be ignored. On that subject of
pessimism I recall that he described
Balfour's "Foundations of Belief"
as "cheap pessimism." He then
went on: "I know not which is
cheapest, pessimism or optimism.
One forces light, the other darkness; both
are equally untrue to good art, and
equally sure of their effect with the
groundlings. The one extenuates, the
other sets down in malice. The first
is the more amiable lie, but both are
lies, and are known to be so by those
who utter them." That'll help you
to get the meaning I put on the label
"cheerful pessimist." I only use the
word pessimist for want of a better.
This trick of labelling men, of parcel-
ling views and attitudes into defined
groups, can be very misleading. The
word "materialist" (usually prefixed
by "gross") is a shocking example.
The orthodox creeds are "grossly
materialistic," but few seem to notice
that. However, that's another story.
Do read Samuel Butler. By way of
tempting you with a tasty sample,
here's one of his sayings. "Life is
like playing a violin solo in public and
learning the instrument as one goes
on."

The same Butler
has this: "If
Christianity is to be
a living faith, it
must penetrate a
man's whole life, so that he can no
more rid himself of it than he can of
his flesh and bones or of his breathing.
The Christianity that can be taken up
and laid down as if it were a watch or
a book is Christianity in name only.
The true Christian can no more part
from Christ in mirth than in sorrow."
I showed a most re-
grettable lack of
principles on Thursday
morning, when I
boarded a tram coming into town.
Being still an invalid, I desired a seat
in the lower deck saloon. There was
one seat available, but it was occupied
by a policeman's dog. I ought to
have stuck up for my human rights,
and if the policeman had been a
priest or a fellow citizen, I probably
would. But like policeman, and this

one was such a fat, handsome, jolly
looking one, besides which his dog was
a nice dog (though I doubt if it had
paid its fare) that I merely sighed,
buttoned my surcoat, and climbed on
to the boat deck. It was wrong of
me not to insist on the principle, and
I soothe my conscience by confessing
it now.

I had a note about our
new fire station on Praya
East, where the timber
yards used to be. I now
invite any normal busi-
ness man to look at the board fence,
with red brick terminal pillar, that has
just been shoved up there, and to say
if it is not a glaring waste of public
money. It encloses nothing and is a
barrier to nothing—except the desir-
able view of seeing an engine coming
out, which might be useful to ap-
proaching traffic. The fence is a long
promontory beyond the new street
line. It is well made of the best
material, has been carefully painted,
and the last time I saw it they
seemed to be preparing for a concrete
cap to the pillar which must come
down sooner or later. Which spend-
ing authority is to blame? I want to
tell it what I think of it.

I have frequently con-
fessed that I have no
head for figures. Balance
sheets I usually admire
without understanding. I can't say
that I take them on trust, because I
don't. I take them to some business
friend, who explains them to me, and
I say "Thanks. I see," and don't
believe a word of it. So when I
suggested that the following quotation
from Sir Josiah Stamp, examiner
to the Society of Incorporated
Accountants and Auditors, has
considerable bearing on local company
balance-sheets, you are to understand
that I do so with the fullest intention
of pleading that I didn't know it
was loaded, if it wounds any local
directors. Under the caption of
"Misleading Balance Sheets," Sir
Josiah recently said: "Think of the
economic conception of capital as
distinct from income, and then
deliberate upon the sorry figure that
is cut in the light of it by your modern
fetish of a 'rate' or 'sound' balance-
sheet, which lies in almost every line
and yet is approved by you because it
overstates no assets and understates
no liabilities, while it has valuable
premises written down to negligible
figures and reserves hidden in
innumerable places, of profits field up
and tucked away." I am told that
some companies here have written off
practically the whole value of their
premises. That sort of way of
camouflaging capital, and the hoarding
of exaggerated reserves, although
ostensibly "prudent finance," is prob-
ably often merely a far-sighted way
of rigging the share market. But
mind you, I don't understand these
matters, and am quite probably talk-
ing nonsense.

I fancy the China
Mail would recon-
sider its unofficial
"recognition" of
the Canton Government, if it heard
the sort of gossip that I pick up on
the beach. I am not allowed to butt
in on serious politics, or I would
suggest that China's public men,
North or South, old or young, are all
still tarred with the same brush. The
young officials of Canton (which has
"abolished" gambling) play too
much big poker, reserving, I hear, a
railway carriage for the purpose. A
public servant who plays high limit
poker is sometimes in need of money,
and you know what that means.
Then who is the highly placed young
man in Canton who until recently held
seven jobs and drew seven salaries,
and only parted with some of the jobs
when his friends came along to claim
them? I admit this is all gossip
from the beach, but the gossips are
numerous, and they name names.

Yesterday fore-
noon the editor of
the China
ENGASTRIMYTHRE. Mail sent a
coolie to me
with the following note, marked
"urgent." "Dear Editor,—To me
personally your Adversaria is always
most amusing when most angry. I
think the enclosed cutting from the
Daily Press should arouse his ire.
Please call his attention to it, in case
he should overlook it." The cutting
was a letter to the editor of the D.P.,
signed "A Mere Britisher," and sure
enough it "gets my goat," as the
mere Americans say. I consider the
writer to be one of those detestable
engastriymythres whose intellects are
like unto a blue-bottle fly on a window
pane, and who talk foolishness as
easily and as fast as a terrier can trot.
The editor of the D.P., reproves the
creature in his leader, I see, and calls
him a pre-Victorian, which is fairly
severe for the morning paper; but not
nearly strong enough. A man who
talks like that deserves to be slapped
over the mouth with a wet haddock
not too fresh.

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portance, that in
no detail or par-
ticular of this moral reproof should
there be left any room for doubt or

misapprehension, more parti-
cularly
as regards the clear and scientific
definition of terms employed in the
premises, it behoves me to make
plain what kind of a haddock this
naughty prattler should be smitten
with. By haddock I mean the kind
that played ghost in a comedy by T.
E. Dunville. Mr. Dunville was a
gentleman gifted in the matter of
amusing vast concourses of people, in
the days when a music hall was a
music hall, and like others of the
theatrical profession, he encountered
a landlady who was too much for him.
In leaving her lodging, he told
her that her rapacity would not
prosper her. "This room," he
told her, "will be let again, but your
tenants will not stay long. I am
going away to die, and my wraith
will haunt it. Wait and see." Sure
enough the next tenant left in two
or three days, and the lodger after
that stayed only one day. This third
quitted in an hour or two; his would-
be successors merely put their heads
in at the door, turned up their noses,
and went elsewhere. The landlady
herself began to find the atmosphere
of the room unbearable, though she
had it thoroughly cleaned out, and
found nothing objectionable. Finally
she sent to the Sanitary Authorities,
being a practical woman who did not
believe in ghosts, and suggested
that there must be some
defect in the building. But
though they pulled the place apart,
and opened the drains, and tore out
the ceiling, they found nothing. And
then one day the behaviour of a dog
that strayed into that room aroused
the attention of the slavey and the
mystery was solved. It was found
that Mr. Dunville had nailed his
breakfast haddock to the underside of
the table-top. It is that particular
haddock, or one just like it, that I
think would most appropriately
eclipse the imbecile countenance of
the correspondent who uses the pen-
name of "A Mere Britisher."

I am not annoyed
because he says all
ANNOUNCED.
B.S. (Another Amei-
canism, which I understand to mean
Blooming Sillyness). No, I rather
agree with him there. The D.P.
published his letter for example.
That was the worst kind of B.S. The
bit in it that irritates me is the phrase
"wishy-washy internationalism."
That is an impudent perversion of the
fact, which is that internationalism
(my cried) is robustly intellectual and
logical, while it is nationalism that is
invariably wishy-washy and sloppily
sentimental and illogical. If this
"Mere Britisher" have the brains
of a louse—but no. I will not
let my righteous indignation
"amuse" the mischievous devil who
wrote to my editor about it. I will
be perfectly calm, and dignified, and
temperate in my language, and reason
with this fragment of thickheaded and
decayed balderdash that has washed
up on the beach of local journalism.
If he is capable of recognising that
east isn't west, or black white, or top
bottom, I'll convert the dog.

Nationalism, pa-
triotism, Chauvin-
ism—there's little
to distinguish these
things—have been grossly overdone.
I knew this and felt it long ago, but
I realized it afresh and most vividly
during the early stages of the World
War. I agree with Lord Hugh Cecil
that it has become a pest, a fatal
epidemic, and that the health and
sanity of civilization require the
strongest sanitary measures to be
taken against it. It is one of man's
oldest instincts, and needs no foster-
ing. It was a virtue of barbarism, it
is a vice and a sin against civiliza-
tion. It breeds bad feelings. I
suspect that it is often insincere. I
suspect that "Mere Britisher" is less
a patriot than a business man
afraid of competition. But al-
lowing him the benefit of the
doubt, and assuming that he is
animated by the wishy-washy senti-
mentalism that values one bit of God's
dirt more than another bit, I call your
attention to the feelings it breeds in
him. He tells the world that "90 per
cent. at least of Britishers know that
the Americans are out to down us in
any way possible." I hasten to tell
the Americans that that is a lie. So
far as Hongkong is concerned, I re-
present more than 90 per cent. of
British knowledge here, and we do not
know that and we do not believe it or
suspect it. In business competition,
in "yachting," in all friendly manly
rivalry, yes. We will try to beat you
in these things, and we hope to keep
our end up, but if you beat us at
anything in a fair and open field
we will not hate you for it.

"Mere Britisher" will, but he's
unique. He's crazy. Don't mind him,
please.

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about the poisonously sloppy hum bug
behind our bee-yutiful word "home."
He was writing of the individual
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privileged to hear mother nag the
servants, and quarrel with father, and
all those holy and pure educational
influences which make home so sweet.
Maybe he is an evil man. Maybe he
exaggerates the worst and ignores
the good. So. But he is not wishy-
washy. That's my point. The song
"Home sweet home" is wishy-washy
doggerel, whilst Robert Burns' "man
to man the wide world o'er" is manly,
virile, poetry. The most wishy-washy
stuff I know are the German volkslieder
about home and fatherland, and we
all know what it led to. The Sinn
Feiners are the most intensely
nationalistic and patriotic people, full
of wishy-washy sentiments about Erin
and Kathleen n Houlihan and you
know what that leads to. I would like
my American friends better, so far
as that goes, if they would cut
out a lot of the "My country, 'tis of
thee" stuff, and boast more of the
constitution, which is a good one, and
suits me to a T.

I am English born and
like bred, and the purest Eng-
lish bred there is, for I
come from a county that
was less accessible to the Romans,
and Danes, and Normans than other
parts of our land were. While I was
a child I thought as a child,
and I thought that the Creator had
taken special pains with my county—
it was so manifestly superior to all
other counties. Even yet, after being
converted like Paul by an intellectual
flash of light, I feel a little sore when
Devon men and Sussex men and men
of Kent and so on boast of their
counties. They are good counties,
and I like them very much indeed,
but they are so evidently inferior to
Cumberland that I feel intuitively
that these men are immodest, and
exaggerate, and talk too much before
their betters. Now that is instinct, the
barbaric instinct that is strong in dumb
animals, the tropism that needs no
cultivating or encouragement. Since
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that quite decent and worthy fellows
can come out of other counties.
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to truth, I was bound to perceive that
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internationalist and cosmopolouse
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of instances takes the form of hatred
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ADVERSARIA.

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When it is insincere, it is, as Dr. Johnson said, the last refuge of the scoundrel. I think he really must have meant the first refuge. Every vain, ambitious demagogue, aiming mainly at notoriety and self aggrandisement, who sets his countrymen by the ears and starts trouble does so in the name of patriotism. There must be many thousands of genuine Chinese patriots—they have proved it time and again—but we know how their honest emotions have been led and swayed and used by grafters pure and simple, men in the political game for what they personally can get out of it. If a man with the patent mentality of "A Mere Britisher" were in a high political position at Home, I tell you, Sirs, he would first feather his own nest, and then the nests of his relatives and friends, and so far as his conscience is concerned, the rest of the people—his fellow Britishers—could go hang. He is the type of citizen who would settle a coal strike by shooting the miners and his contribution to the great unemployment problem is probably "serve the beggars right." I know his type. It is British, more's the pity, and English though I am, I hate it as I hate snakes, and I hit it whenever I meet it. God! How I hate it and loathe it. It is that type of Britisher, blast him, which gets us so disliked, which makes foreign travel for a wanderer like myself less comfortable and happy than it could be. Among every foreign people so far, among whom I wished to live while, on terms of real intimacy, I found that I first had to overcome and dissipate a mistrust, a prejudice. It has been pathetic to me to note how some of them have been absurdly pleased and grateful and loving and extremely kind merely because they discovered that, although an Englishman, I did not put on dog, and assert my superiority, but was a simple, well meaning, human being like themselves. It is experience of this kind, extending over a quarter of a century and nearly all over the world, that makes me refuse to join St. George's Societies and Overseas Clubs and nationalistic organizations of that sort. Nationalism, I repeat, does not need organizing. It is bred in the bone, and it comes out in the flesh.

If I have any American readers, I want them to take note of this paragraph and mention it to their friends. I know what I am talking about. I have travelled extensively in America, as far east as Florida, and as far west as California. I have resided for two full years under the American flag, and enjoyed it. I have had good American friends for over twenty years. "You know me, Al." You may trust me. I am not a huncor steerer. I have been a great student of American literature for nearly forty years. And I know my own country and my own people as well as you know your home town. I tell you that though this "Merely British" type makes a big noise, there is not much of it. Bottomley—the Mr. Bottomley—in his despicable weekly and perhaps in his Sunday articles has been violently anti-American. There is this penny trumpet now attacking the *Daily Press*. And here and there is one led by them or their like. But the real British feeling towards America and Americans, so far as such a thing can be racially summarised, is really and truly friendly. Please believe me. I honestly believe there is more anti-British prejudice in the States than there is anti-American prejudice among my folk, and you, as Americans, know that that anti-British prejudice in your country has been exaggerated by these evil thinkers and mischief-makers. Right here in Hongkong I can see we are going to have the liveliest kind of business competition. Your people are so hustling and enterprising. You take more chances than we care to do. Well now, some of my people are going to feel this pressure, and some of them—the meaner kind—are going to squeal about it, in the manner of this human gartersnake I've been chastising. They will pose as patriots, as John Bulls. Do not be impressed by them. They are not us, the bulk of the people. They are not at all like us.

To my decent fellow countrymen I scarcely need say anything more. Those who have done me the honour to read these notes attentively, even if they had natural prejudices before without thinking much about them, will recognize that I am not a bad citizen, not a disloyalist, but rather the contrary. They will get my drift. To "A Mere Britisher" and his like, who are sure to trot out the old legends at I am a Bolshevik, a Socialist, a Crank, a Traitor, a Mischiefmaker, it is useless to say

CHILDREN'S CORNER.

My dear Children,
You will all have heard a great deal this week about St. Andrew's Day, on November 30 and I daresay many of you have seen the big St. Andrew's Cross outside the City Hall.
In pictures of St. Andrew, the patron saint of Scotland, you will always see him as an old man with long white hair and a beard, holding a Bible in his hand and leaning on a cross shaped like the letter X, which is always called St. Andrew's Cross and you probably know from the Union Jack that this cross is blue on a white ground.
I wonder, by the way, how many of you can draw and paint the Union Jack? It is not nearly as easy as you might think.

Your loving,
PETER PAN.

How many of you know this old riddle?
"As I was going over Westminster Bridge
I met a Westminster scholar,
He took off his hat and drew off his glove,
Pray tell me the name of this scholar!
I'm to blame for I've told you his name!
Answer, Andrew."

A LEGEND OF THE STARS.

There are some extraordinary stories and legends about the stars. In one of them we are told that seven stars are made from the shining hair of a beautiful woman called Berenice. She was the wife of an ancient Egyptian king, Ptolemy III, and her husband went to Asia to fight. Berenice made up her mind to sacrifice her hair to the gods if her husband came back a conqueror. So she cut off her hair and hung it up in the temple of the war-god, but the next morning it was discovered that it had been stolen. No one knew what had happened to it until the king came back and then he was told that the wind had wafted it to heaven. There it divided into seven pieces and became seven stars near the tail of the constellation Leo, the Lion. Of course this is only a legend but these stars are always known as "Coma Berenice."

ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

C. James.—Many thanks for your interesting postcard of an aero lane. I am so glad that you liked the pen knife.

I wonder if you all know that your name usually had a meaning and if so what that meaning is? If any of you care to write and ask me what your name means I will try and find it out (though I cannot promise that I shall know all of them). Here are a few examples and I know that some of these belong to my readers because of the letters which I have had from you at different times.
Edna—pleasure.
Rita—God of the oath.
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Richard—strong king.
Charles—strong, manly.
Joyce—sportive.

The total result of yesterday's street sale of roses was \$2,480 which is about \$200 more than was realised last year and does not include a donation of \$1,000 by Sir Paul Chater. The ladies who assisted in yesterday's effort were: Miss D. Dillon, Miss M. Murray, Miss L. Murray, Miss L. Teyan, Miss V. Stanley, Miss L. Collaco, Miss K. Simmonds, Miss B. Steel, Miss M. Hanson, Miss B. Pearson, Miss M. Ewan, Miss O. Basto, Miss A. Alva, Miss G. Souza, Miss M. Dillon, Miss M. Basto, Miss J. Foulds, Miss P. Ruttonjee, Miss N. McEwan, Miss M. Mackenzie, Miss A. Perpetuo, Mrs. Burden, Miss N. Burden, Miss H. Jorge, Miss L. Choa, Miss V. Wilkinson, Miss M. Marriott, Miss B. Hardwick, Miss G. Johnson, Miss C. Osmund, Miss M. Gantall, Miss C. Stanham, Miss M. Davitt, Miss Wildin, Miss A. Dillon, Miss A. Barnes, Mrs. Law, Mrs. Rodenfußer, Miss Bowen, Mrs. Marcol, Mrs. Cruikshank, Mrs. H. Davies, Mrs. Hardwick and Mrs. B. Basto.

anything at all; but I will tell them this, that if they are minded to complain of my plain speaking, they had better save their breath to cool their porridge, for 'tis the back of my hand and the tail of my coat only I have to offer them at any time. I dislike them so. God wants me to love my enemies, but sure He would not be after expecting me to "sleep peacefully under the same roof with His, not and me knowing it. I wish I had "A Mere Britisher" forment now, and Dunville's old haddock in my hand. I'd show them. I would so.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

All firms clubs, etc., who have not yet returned particulars for insertion in the Dollar Directory are requested to do so immediately to No. 5, Wyndham Street. Particulars of new firms etc., will be gladly received for inclusion in the Directory.

Captain G. A. V. Noel, R. G. A. has been appointed next week's Field Officer.

Mr. Chow Shou-sun is appointed unofficial M.L.C. in Mr. Ho Fook's place.

On Monday morning Messrs. Lammet Bros. will sell a consignment of sporting goods.

Mr. Percy Burn is appointed Assistant S.C.A. and Deputy Registrar of Marriages.

Judge Skinner Turner of Shanghai is appointed a member of the Full Court of Hongkong.

The Gazette gives a lot of new regulations affecting electricity supplies—pages and pages of 'em.

Volunteer promotions gazetted are: 2nd Lieut. T. W. Hill to be Lieut. Sgt. S. E. Grimstone to be 2nd Lieut.

Mr. G. N. Orme is appointed Estate Duty Commissioner, Official Receiver, and Registrar of Trade Marks and Patents.

Property in Wyndham, Shanghai and Portland Streets will be put up for auction on Monday afternoon by Messrs. Lammet Bros. under instructions from the Supreme Court.

Princess Louise Duchess of Argyll on Oct. 22 opened a ward in Charing Cross Hospital, which has been endowed by the Shanghai Race Club. Mr. A. W. Burdett represented the club at the function.

A new work by the clever young composer, Miss Dorothy Howell, was given a first performance at the Queen's Hall Promenade Concerts on October 21. It is described as "a ballet founded on the old Chinese legend of the willow-pattern plate," and illustrates the love-story of Koong Shue and Chang and their tragic death.

Lloyd's List reports an interesting risk of a political character placed at Lloyd's within the past few days. In it the underwriters agree, in consideration of the payment of five guineas per cent, to "pay a total loss in event of declaration and/or state of war and/or outbreak of hostilities between Japan and U. S. A. on or before Dec. 31, 1922."

A notice in our advertising columns announces that a free lecture on Christian Science will be delivered by Mr. John C. Lathrop, C.S.B., of Brookline Mass., a member of the Board of Lectureship of the Mother Church, the First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Boston, Mass., at the City Hall in the Chamber of Commerce Room, on Thursday, December 8 at 5.30 p.m. All are cordially invited to attend.

A Court of enquiry will assemble at the Military Hospital, Kowloon, at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, December 6 to investigate and report on a fire which occurred in the barracks belonging to the Military Hospital, Kowloon, on November 30. The court will be comprised as follows:—President: Major G. de S. H. Middlemass, 272nd Punjab, members: captain of the H.K.S. R.G.A., the D.O.R.E. Mainland Section, and the Officer in charge of the Barracks.

The following extract from a letter from the Straits tells its own tale:—"Raw rubber is surely cheap enough now, and yet consumption does not increase. The trouble is that the manufactured articles is not cheap. I inquired about rubber tiles lately, and found the cost per square yard to be \$15. At most 5 lb. raw rubber is used, costing, say, \$1.50. If those manufacturers got their raw rubber for nothing the cost of the finished article would still be prohibitive!"

Before Magistrate Wood yesterday, an ex-Chinese constable was charged with having impersonated a policeman and demanded money with menaces. A coolie living at No. 386 Queen's Road West said the accused visited him on December 1, and demanded \$7 representing himself to be a police constable. A number of men in the house seized the accused and tied him to a bunk while the police were summoned. Accused denied the charge. He said he had given a man named Ah Wing twenty cents to buy "chow" and went to the house to get the money back. Whilst there he was seized and tied to the bunk. He was then accused of demanding money by false pretences. The Magistrate remanded the case in order to give accused a chance of finding the man Ah Wing.

BRITISH NORTH BORNEO.

FURTHER REFUTATION OF CHARGES.

Respecting the article in *The Century* by Major E. Alexander Powell, making serious allegations against the administration of the British North Borneo Co., a cable from the Governor of North Borneo records Lord Northcliffe's opinion on the way the welfare of the people is safeguarded by the Court of Directors. The cable is as follows:—"Lord Northcliffe at Sandakan yesterday inspected the hospital, the Law Courts, leper settlement and the jail, and visited the town church, sawmills, etc. He desires me to express his pleasure at finding the welfare of the people so keenly safeguarded by the Court of Directors and at the efficiency of several prominent commercial undertakings he witnessed. Speaking at a dinner at Government House, he said he was convinced that the country had a great future and immense potentialities. The country deserved to be more widely known and needed publicity."

BANK ROBBERY.

MYSTERIOUS WEST POINT AFFAIR.

A Wing Lok Street hawker named Wong Ki Tung, living at No. 29, Eastern Street was riding home in his private chair along Eastern Street about 8.25 p.m., yesterday, when between First and Second Streets an unknown man came up on the right and without any warning stabbed him in the cheek with a dagger. The banker called out "save life," whereupon the man ran away, leaving the dagger in the wound. Wong was taken to the Government Civil Hospital by his coolies. He has no clue as to the cause of the attack.

TO-DAY'S ADVERTISEMENTS.

DANTE CENTENARY CELEBRATION.

A CONCERT will be held at the Theatre Royal on WEDNESDAY, the 7th December at 9.15 p.m. in connection with the above Celebration to which all those interested are cordially invited. A lecture on Dante will be delivered by Mr. G. P. de Martin M.R.E., B.A. Hongkong, December 3, 1921.

A FREE LECTURE ON CHRISTIAN SCIENCE.

By JOHN C. LATHROP, C.S.B. of Brookline, Mass. Member of the Board of Lectureship of the Mother Church The First Church of Christ Scientist, Boston, Mass. will be given in the CITY HALL Chamber of Commerce Room THURSDAY, 8th December 1921, at 5.30 p.m. You are cordially invited to attend.

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ROYAL HONGKONG GOLF CLUB.

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LADIES are not allowed to play over the Happy Valley Course before 1 p.m. on SUNDAYS.

By Order,
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ROYAL HONGKONG YACHT CLUB.

THE REGATTA announced to be held at Repulse Bay on 10th December 1921, has been postponed until a later date.

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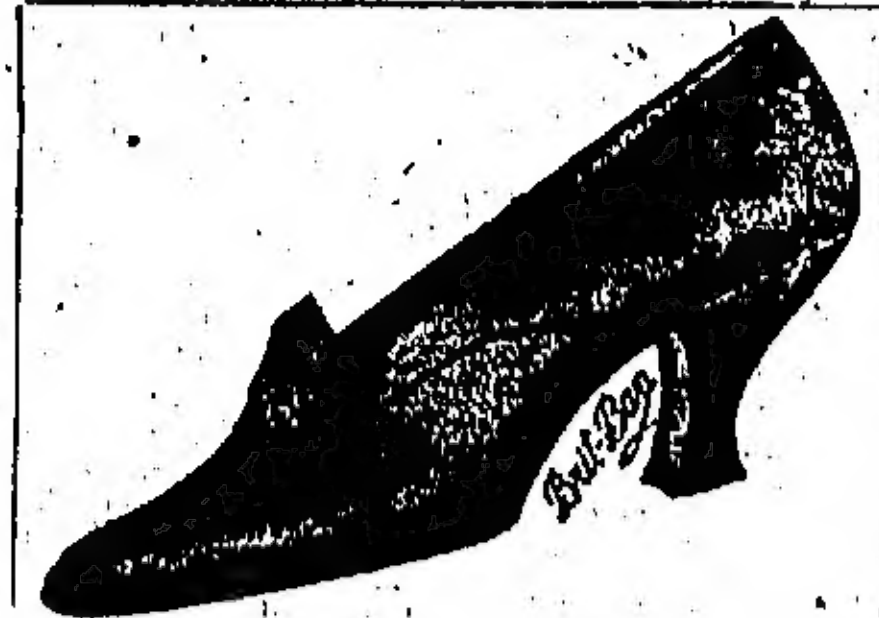
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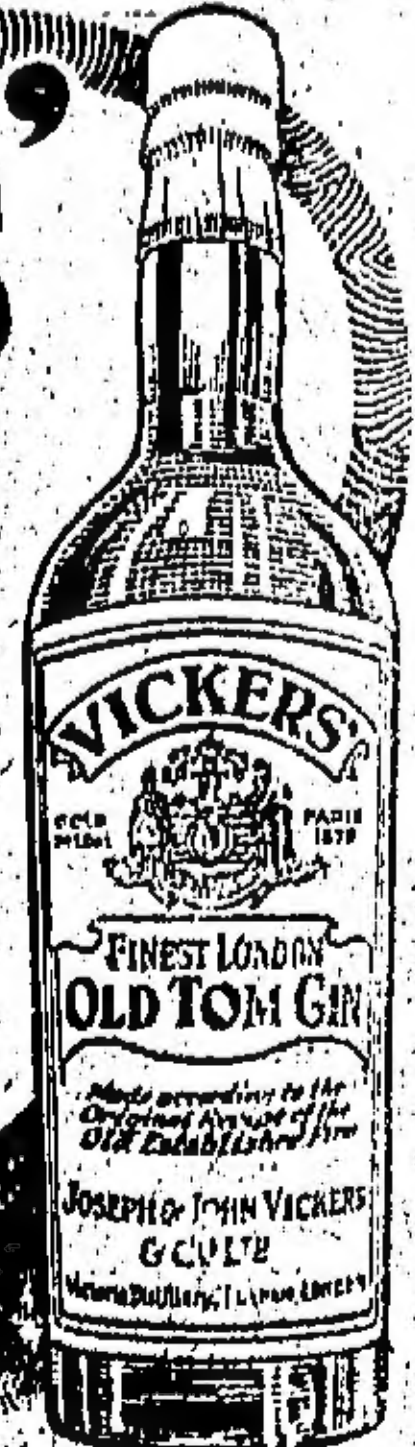
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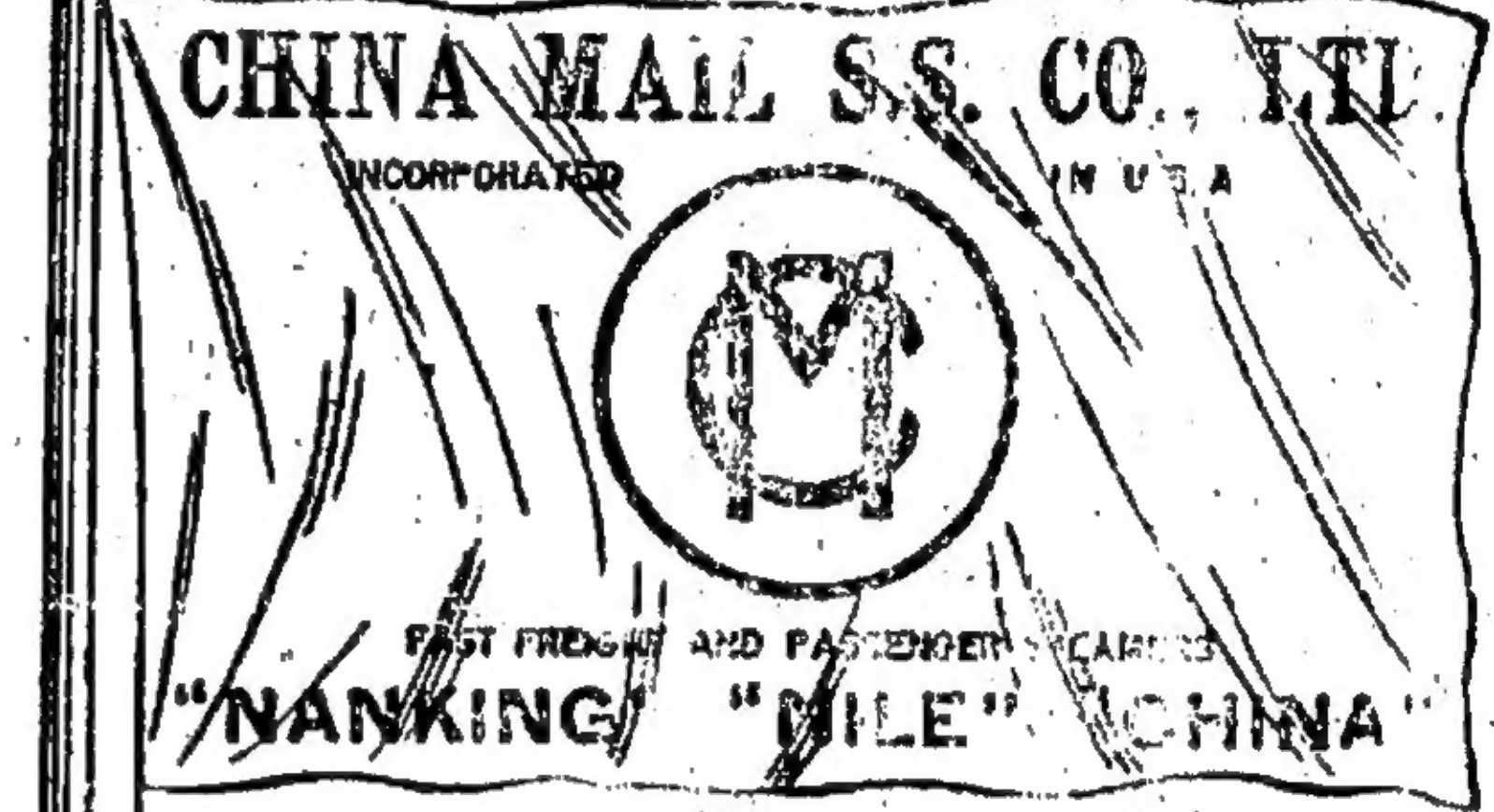
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8.—P. & O.	Somali.
8.—J.C.J.L.	Tibodas.
8.—N.Y.K.	Hakone Maru.
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12.—B. F.	Katana.
14.—J.C.J.L.	Takada.
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21.—P. & O.	Nellere.
23.—B. I.	Takada.
23.—P. & O.	Dunora.
23.—B. F.	Aracon.
16.—B. F.	Eurylochus.
23.—P. & O.	Kashmir.
30.—B. F.	Cyclops.
31.—B. F.	Teucer.
Feb. 13.—B. F.	Calchas.
20.—B. F.	Pyrrhus.
Mar. 6.—P. & O.	Kashgar.
16.—P. & O.	Menor.
27.—B. F.	Devanba.
31.—P. & O.	Novara.
Apr. 14.—P. & O.	Teiresias.
24.—B. F.	Kalyan.
28.—P. & O.	Plassy.
May 13.—P. & O.	Dongola.

FROM MANILA.

Dec. 8.—B. F.	Talhybus.
23.—B. F.	Tyndarus.
Jan. 27.—B. F.	Protosilaus.
Feb. 17.—B. F.	Ixion.
Mar. 10.—B. F.	Talhybus.

FROM SINGAPORE.

Dec. 4.—P. M.	Empire State.
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FROM JAVA.

Dec. 11.—J.C.J.L.	Methven.
14.—J.C.J.L.	Tjilwong.
18.—J.C.J.L.	Tjikembang.
18.—J.C.J.L.	Tjileboet.

FROM BOMBAY.

Dec. 10.—P. & O.	Dunora.
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FROM CALCUTTA.

Dec. 7.—B. I.	Takada.
9.—N. Y. K.	Yamagata Maru.

FROM MELBOURNE & SYDNEY

Dec. 19.—E. & A.	Aracon.
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Dec. 14.—B. F.	Tyndarus.
Jan. 12.—B. F.	Protosilaus.
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SECOND SUNDAY IN ADVENT.

The idea for this Sunday is again found in the Epistle. The subject brought before us is that of all the holy writings which have been written for the edification of Christians and especially the books of the Bible.

Many have made this Sunday the opportunity for speaking on Holy Scripture and its revelation of God in our churches, and often donations are made towards societies which exist for the translation of the Bible into various languages. The indiscriminate publishing of the Bible, which is the Handbook of the Church, is not encouraged so much as it was a few years ago, but whatever are our ideas on the subject, we, as Christians, can still think at this time of our special commission to hand on God's Word to everyone by preaching the Gospel to every creature.

The Epistle dwells on Our Lord's two-fold mission to Jew and Gentile, showing that we have to hand on the Christian revelation, not only to those of our own kind and kin and nation, but to the whole world. The Collects of Advent are remarkably well known and often form the subjects of Advent addresses; this collect for the second Sunday is perhaps as well known as any other collect in the Prayer Book. The Gospel again dwells on a "coming" of Christ, although we of to-day do not see in it a prophecy of the second Advent of the Last Day alone, but rather a prediction of the final close of the old dispensation and the destruction of Jerusalem as a simile of the great coming. The early Christians, no doubt, thought that the passage foretold only the end of the world and a speedy return of their Lord; but we, looking at history subsequent to Our Lord's Ascension, see in the words a picture of the Judgment Day, and its anti-type, the downfall of Jerusalem.

Monday is the Feast of St. Nicholas, Bishop of Myra in Lycia A.D. 342. From his name we get Santa Claus (S. Ni' Claus). He is regarded as the patron saint of children and of sailors. About A.D. 430, the Emperor Justinian erected a church to his memory at Constantinople. The mediæval pageant of the 'Boy-Bishop' began on St. Nicholas's day, and lasted till Childermas, or Holy Innocents' day.

Next Wednesday is the Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary. This commemoration may be considered together with that of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, September 8. The design of both commemorations is to call attention to the immediate preparation for the Incarnation of Our Lord. The close association of the Blessed Virgin with her Divine Son gives her undoubted right to special commemoration; and this is done not only by the festivals of the Annunciation and the Purification, but also by the minor commemorations of her Conception, her Nativity, and her Visitation to Elizabeth. The only birthdays of saints named in the Calendar are those of the Baptist and the Mother of our Lord, both of whom were associated with His birth. As the human agent in the mystery of the Incarnation, the Conception and Nativity of the Virgin Mother were events of momentous importance. Her birth was the coming of one through whose agency the Eternal Son would take our nature, and reveal Himself to mankind. The remembrance of St. Anne (July 26) the mother of the Blessed Virgin, carries the idea of preparation for the Incarnation back to a previous stage of thought, in contemplating the mystery. The feast of the Conception of the Blessed Virgin appears to have originated in England, amongst the monks of Winchester, before the eleventh century.

The organist of St. Peter's Church together with Miss Mow Fung, Miss Fincher, Mr. Hagger and Mr. Annis are to be congratulated on the fine musical recital, given last Sunday evening. There was a good attendance, and those present gave gener-

ously towards the Organ Fund. Below is the programme rendered.

Salut D'Amour Elgar.
Duet (Soprano & Tenor) Love Divine (Daughter of Jairus) Stainer.
Hymne Celeste Grey.
Solo (Tenor) King Ever
Glorious Recit & Air (Bass) And as
Moses Stainer's.
Quartet "God so loved the World" Crucifixion.
Nuptial Postlude Grey.
Duet (Tenor and Bass) "So Thon Liltest" Stainer.
March in G Smart.

The Chaplain of St. John's Cathedral Mr. H. Copley Moyle, is expected back to-day by the Empress boat, so that, all being well, he will be officiating at services to-morrow. He has been on home leave for 8 months and we shall all be very glad to see him back again.

Some people seem to think that the collects used in Church services were made by various puritan leaders at the time of the Reformation, but this is incorrect. The collects, like the services of our Prayer Book, were gathered from all kinds of ancient sources, so that our services of Post-Reformation times are very little different from those Pre-Reformation days.

Certainly some collects are fairly modern, four probably being as late as 1662, but the large majority are taken from the ancient Sacramentaries of Leo the Great (fifth century), of Gelasius, Bishop of Rome (fifth century) and of Gregory the Great (sixth century).

Collects are peculiar to the Western Church: in the Eastern Church prayers are longer and more ornate, somewhat resembling those of non-episcopal bodies.

The word collects may come from the Latin "collecta" (a gathering together) or it may be a contraction of "cum lectione" (accompanying the reading of scripture). If the former derivation be adopted, the word may mean either a summary of the teaching of the service, which is most probable, or a prayer used at the gathering together of the worshippers.

The English Church Union held a two days conference at York during the last week in September. The Union consists for the most part of Anglicans who bind themselves together to uphold the level of our sacramental worship, and it has undoubtedly done much of late years to raise the dignity of Church services.

Although the Church is reforming herself gradually, yet the work is slow and very aggravating to those enthusiasts who long for a Church unfettered by unreasonable regulations of the past.

By the Episcopal Pensions Act a retiring bishop is allowed either £2,000 a year or one third of the income of the See, whichever may be the larger sum. It is a good thing that this rule does not apply to our Bishop of Victoria. Yet, although such an act is allowed to remain, it is difficult to raise to a minimum of £400 a year the income of clergy doing full work, and a pension of £200 a year for clergy is very scarce. Are the domestic expenses of a retired bishop necessarily greater than those of a retired parish priest?

The payment of £1,500 from the See of Peterborough to a retired bishop, not actually in need of it, did harm to the work of his successor, and retarded the formation of the See of Leicester; this is only one case of many. Surely it is time the churchmen lifted up a loud voice of protest and condemnation.

This year is the seven-hundredth anniversary of the death of St. Dominic, the branch of whose order did so much in England in the years of the past. The great part of the work of the Dominican friar preachers

GOLF.

SHANGHAI CHAMPIONSHIP.

FERRIER DEFEAT DEWAR.

Commenting on the result of the Shanghai Championship final at Kiangwan, the N.C. Daily News says that J. B. Ferrier's defeat of Capt. J. Dewar did not come as a surprise, but it was a huge shock that he came out best against such a fine player by 11 up and 10 to play, which is believed to be a record score for the Championship. As the match went there was scarcely any excitement, for, until it came to putting, both men played with such coolness and precision that it reminded one as much as anything of a professional billiard match—everything looked so very simple.

Dewar, however, was persistently outdriven and could not get his length on the greens, running short as often as he was too strong. On the other hand, nothing seemed to worry Ferrier and, though he said the greens, under the drying sun and wind, were very fiery, this fact did not interfere greatly with his putting. Both were troubled a good deal by tricky wind and it says much for their ability that not a single drive fell really badly on the course, though each put one out of bounds.

W GERMAN FLAG.

A new flag has been designed for the German mercantile marine. Winston Churchill has a letter in the current *Government Gazette* about it. Mentions that German ships may fly either old or new up to Jan. 1 next. (After which, inferentially, the new one will be regular). The new one is rectangular, with three horizontal stripes, black, white and red. Next the staff, in the black stripe, are inset the national colours, black red and yellow, with an outer upright strip of white for definition. Where the skipper is a retired naval officer, he will fly this flag with an "old" cross superimposed.

was done in the thirteenth century, while their poverty was still a sign of their zeal, and while the sacred study, in which the greatest of the medieval theologians were trained, still flourished in their convents. The influence which they had obtained during this period was responsible for the favour which was shown them by the later Plantagenet kings. When the Reformation came they showed no heroic anxiety to defend themselves against spoilers, and this fact, together with the partial withdrawal of royal patronage, caused the order to sink into comparative insignificance.

When Dr. Gore resigned his bishopric many thought that he would retire from public activity and emerge only occasionally. Instead, however, he has become more powerful than ever as a burning fire-brand uttering most outspoken words on the necessities of our Church.

While so many of our leaders are afraid to say much on the question of national Christianity, it is refreshing to find Dr. Gore attacking the system with cutting words. Speaking before the Labour Organisations at Bradford he said: "I hate Established Churches, because whenever Christianity becomes an established religion and a man must belong to it as a matter of course, you eliminate the necessity for personal choice and adopt the method which is exactly opposite to the method of Jesus." He had been speaking of the conversion of the Empire in A.D. 303, preferring to call it the perversion of Christianity, because since it then cost a man nothing to be a Christian the moral level of Christianity dropped to the level of to-day.

Most earnest churchmen heartily endorse such sentiments and long for the time when this wretched state of modern religion may be changed. It is a noteworthy fact that even though organised Christianity is reviled the sacred person of Jesus is everywhere esteemed.

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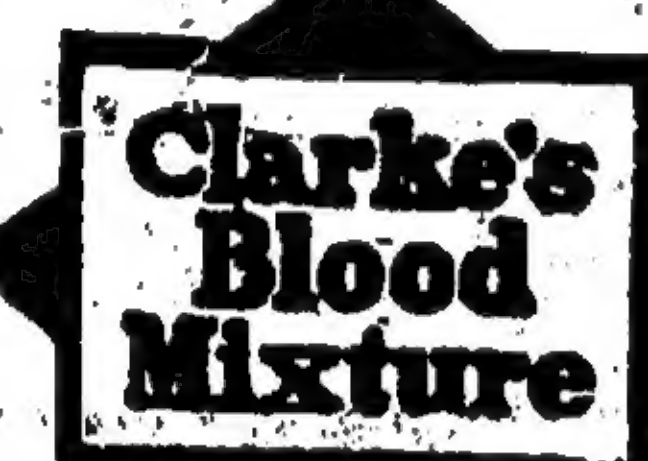
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Dec. 6.—I.C.S.N. Looanang.
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PHILIPPINE ISLANDS, ETC.
Dec. 7.—A.L. Abasco.
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Dec. 17.—C.N. Taming.

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JAVA PORTS, ETC.
Dec. 10.—J.C.J.L. Tjibodas.
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INDIAN PORTS, ETC.
Dec. 7.—B.L. Arratoon Apoor.
9.—D.L. Tando.
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CALCUTTA.
(Via Rangoon).
Dec. 7.—B.L. Arratoon Apoor.
9.—D.L. Tando.
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BOMBAY AND COLOMBO.
Dec. 8.—P.O. Lahore.
10.—D.L. Kueichow.
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AUSTRALIAN PORTS.
Dec. 18.—E.A. Eastern.
20.—D.L. Tando.
22.—D.L. Tando.

SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.
Dec. 18.—E.A. Eastern.
20.—D.L. Tando.
22.—D.L. Tando.

JAPAN PORTS.
Dec. 4.—Nanyo Y.K. Macassar Maru.
6.—D.L. Hainchong.
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VANCOUVER, ETC.
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SAN FRANCISCO.
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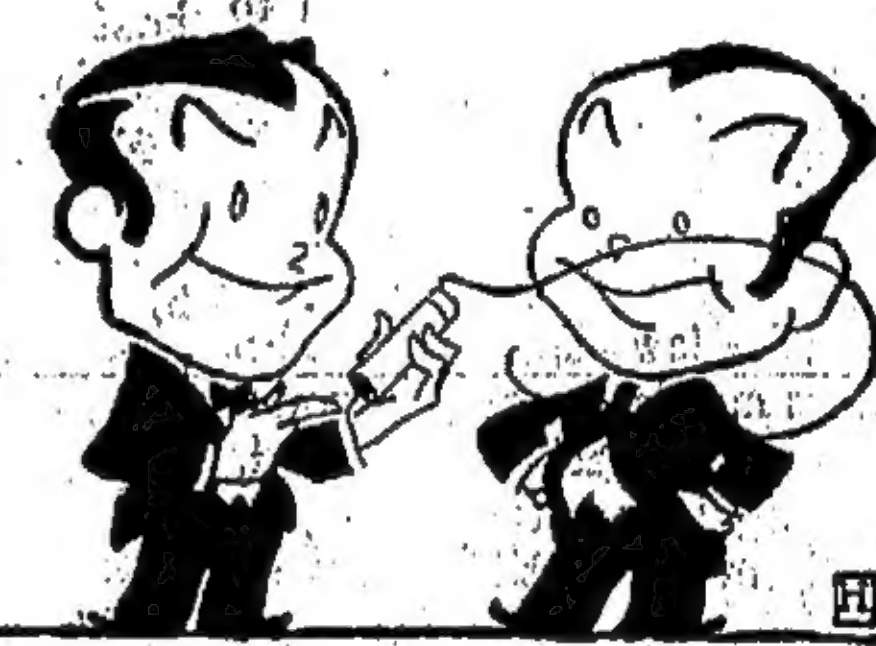
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TO END WAR.

MR. H. G. WELLS ON AN INTERNATIONAL PACT.

The second article of the series which Mr. H. G. Wells is writing for a group of American, British and Japanese newspapers has recently appeared. A translation from the *Asahi* follows:

A general view of the world situation brings out the fact that each country stands from the rest with its own independent form of government, free to make war whenever it may choose, with no higher, supernatural tribunal efficacious yet for the settlement of international disputes. Therefore it is not difficult to forecast that the Washington conference, which has been convoked to reach an agreement for the limitation of armaments among the Powers, and also to take measures designed to ward off hostilities in a certain portion of the world, may come to be merely a place for fruitless discussion.

All the Powers, even those which are now pushing ahead their preparations for war, as well as those which have no desire really to reach any effective disarmament agreement, are hastening to declare their fervent willingness to attend the conference for disarmament. Their willingness is largely due to the immense effect of the idea of the conference on the public mind everywhere; the main motive, however, is the belief of the various Powers that through the conference they will gain opportunities for reaching agreements which will reduce the armaments of the Powers who are their potential enemies.

JAPAN WANTS EQUAL ODDS

Japan, for instance, would doubtless be only too glad to agree to a considerable reduction in her military expenses, provided the United States agrees to reduce her estimates to the same figure; for it is well known that Japan's military maintenance costs are much lower for each man than those of the United States. Japan would be still better pleased if she could arrange to have restrictions placed on fortifications and to restrict the operating radius of navies to 2,000 miles from their respective coasts. This, it is believed, would give Japan a free hand in China and the Philippines.

Similar arrangements were proposed by Great Britain and Germany many times at the international gatherings at The Hague before the Great War, but neither of these Powers trusted the sincerity of the other's desire for such a peaceful arrangement. Every proposal of this sort has up to now been regarded merely as camouflage for gaining some strategic end. Conditions existing in Europe in those days led inevitably to such views.

INTERNATIONAL CODE IS NEEDED.

Until the day comes when war will be made impossible, all plans for preventing wars or restricting armaments are merely futile. Total disarmament by all the Powers can only be put into effect, without heated debate, on the day that becomes an impossibility. War cannot be made an impossibility until all the Powers become firmly convinced that they should form and be governed by some great international code, a task that should have been accomplished years ago when the present independent governments were first formed.

It is obvious that innumerable obstacles will present themselves against this idea of unifying the world, and plain that it would meet with the disapproval of those great masses of people possessing only a narrow minded sense of patriotism, or those who are naturally mistrustful. But this is the task, in fact the only task that can be accomplished for the sake of safeguarding the destruction of civilisation by war and fortifications.

It may be sounded simpler if I had proposed universal disarmament instead of an amalgamation by all the dominating Powers but this argument would merely lead to no result, owing to the absolute impossibility of the former idea. That is to say, this proposal cannot materialize.

WORLD CODE NEEDED.

The sincerest desire of every human being is to live in a world where all are brethren, of one stock. Should the entire world therefore be governed under an all-powerful International Code and all humanity, however different in race, religion, or customs, be placed on a level footing with each other, enjoying equal rights and privileges, there would be no need of discussion upon any disarmament question.

To make secure the international relations is to make needless any preparations for war by any Power.

War, warlike preparations and threats of a war are the most remarkable embodiment of the estrangement between the different groups of mankind of the present age, and form the most formidable destructive element to the world monetary system, paralyzing world industries. This is the greatest misfortune of all, a load which presses upon and threatens the com-

munity of mankind by day and night, forming indeed the core of all the questions pending between Japan and the United States.

The conclusion that there will be no great war in the future is based on the supposition that both Japan and the United States will avoid a clash, because the outbreak of war between them would mean serious social collapse, affecting financial and economic stability first of all in both the belligerent countries.

The world's Powers must unite and combine at once; otherwise the possibility of ruin will steadily increase and be magnified. But, if the Powers shake hands and unite on these questions in which they feel common interests, all reason and pretext for avoiding other problems of international concern will become extinct.

ORGANIZED GROUP ESSENTIAL.

Thus we must necessarily reach the conclusion that unless the world's Powers do unite in one body, as a perfectly organized Associated League of States, possessing sufficient authority to maintain good order in any state—in any part of the world—and possessed of a perfect world conception, the solution of the war problem is an absolute impossibility.

In other words, unless the Powers form what may be called a truly pacific world, the restoration of true order in the world cannot be expected, nor will it be possible to check the rapid collapse and demoralization of civilization.

If we may use the words of President Harding, what is needed by society is a truly powerful association of states, "without which mankind the world over will necessarily be doomed to eventual ruin."

SMALL NATIONS VEXING.

Just now a strange illusion obtains and is spreading among many of the small independent countries of the world, indulging in the idle dream of realizing a mere reduction of armament. Those small countries, while clamouring for such reduction of armament, are insisting on their respective sovereignty and competing one with another, indulging in trifling economic and commercial campaigns, quite unconscious that they are thus paving the way to mutual collapse and ruin.

It is simply astounding that, while acting contrary to the principal of meeting the requirements of the existing world situation, these small, independent countries are enthusiastically trying to realize a reduction of armament, to avoid mutual competition and hoping thus to avert any outbreak of war. There is simply an idle dream, and even supposing that such an idle dream has within it more or less of a possibility, that can only be worse than the danger and calamity we are actually experiencing at present.

Complexity, narrow-mindedness and insanity are more undesirable than pain, terror and destruction, and such undesirable factors form the substance of the state of affairs obtaining in the present age.

The prominent diplomats assembled in Washington may endeavour to ignore and slight this regrettable state of affairs, and may try to slight and forget the many important questions excluded from the agenda of the conference, resting content with those enumerated in the narrow scope of the submitted programme, but the fact of these problems still remains nevertheless.

SUCCESS ABSOLUTELY REQUIRED.

The broad undeniable fact remains that the only way for mankind to evolve from and escape the horrible danger of the present age can be found in the formation of some international association of states, built on the foundation of a strong and frank determination to turn the minds of mankind to the attainment of their common aim and their future happiness and prosperity and away from the biased sense or mutual hatred and enmity of the past. Yes, the fact remains as broad as daylight. Should the Washington Conference fail to prove equal to the task of enhancing the sense of the world's nations to the level of this idea, the Conference had better not have been convened at all.

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8.30 a.m. to 11.00 a.m. " 15 "
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12.30 p.m. to 1.00 p.m. " 15 "
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9.30 p.m. to 11.30 p.m. every 30 minutes
11.45 p.m.

SATURDAYS.
EXTRA CAR—12.00 midnight
SUNDAYS.
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